## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

## **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

February 1, 2019

Lucas Smolcic Larson MuckRock News DEPT MR 64250 411A Highland Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2516

Re: 2019-FOIA-02618

Dear Mr. Larson,

This is the final response to your recent Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request to the Executive Office of the Mayor ("EOM"). Specifically, you requested "documents relating to the United Bid for the 2026 FIFA World Cup, often referred to as United 2026, of which the city is a part:

-copies of the signed Host City Agreement, Training Site Agreement, and Stadium Agreement entered into by the city, the United States Soccer Federation (USSF), and the Federation Internationale de Football Association between October 4th, 2017 and March 16th, 2018, at which time the United Bid committee submitted its bid book to FIFA (including all attachments and appendices)

-copies of subsequent Host City, Training Site, and Stadium Agreements entered into by the city, the USSF, and FIFA as a result of negotiation of the terms of the original agreements between March 16th, 2018 and the date this request is processed (please include draft agreements)"

As the FOIA Officer for EOM, I only have the ability to conduct searches of, and respond to requests for, EOM records. A search for responsive EOM records yielded zero (0) results.

Please know that, under D.C. Official Code § 2-537 and 1 DCMR 412, you have the right to appeal this letter to the Mayor or to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. If you elect to appeal to the Mayor, your appeal must be in writing and contain "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" or "FOIA Appeal" in the subject line of the letter as well as on the outside of the envelope. The appeal must include (1) a copy of the original request; (2) a copy of any written denial; (3) a statement of the circumstances, reasons, and/or arguments advanced in support of disclosure; and (4) a daytime telephone number, and e-mail and/or U.S. Mail address at which you can be reached. The appeal must be mailed to: The Mayor's Office of Legal Counsel, FOIA

Appeal, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 407, Washington, DC 20004. Electronic versions of the same information can instead be e-mailed to foia.appeals@dc.gov. Further, a copy of all appeal materials must be forwarded to the Freedom of Information Officer of the involved agency or to the agency head of that agency if there is no designated Freedom of Information Officer there. Failure to follow these administrative steps will result in delay in the processing and commencement of a response to your appeal to the Mayor.

Sincerely,

Nana Yaa Agyemang

Beverly Perry Fellow,

FOIA Officer, Executive Office of the Mayor